

## COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## LIVING WITH WILDLIFE/PREVENTION OF CONFLICTS SEMINARS OFFERED

San Luis Obispo, CA, --The San Luis Obispo County Agricultural Commissioner's office is hosting two free, educational seminars on the subject of cohabitation of humans and wildlife in San Luis Obispo County. Representatives from USDA Wildlife Services, California Department of Fish and Game, and the County of San Luis Obispo Division of Animal Services will present information on ways individuals can protect human health and safety, property, livestock, and pets from wildlife contact in residential areas.

Joe Bennett and Eric Covington of the USDA Wildlife Services will discuss the work performed in San Luis Obispo County by Wildlife Services staff to educate the public and help reduce or prevent damage caused by nuisance wildlife. Also included in their presentation will be a discussion of techniques to avoid or reduce contact with wildlife in residential areas.

Lt. Dean Hileman of the California Department of Fish and Game will present information related to existing regulations concerning wildlife feeding and management in residential and rural areas.

Dr. Eric Anderson, Animal Services Manager for the San Luis Obispo County Division of Animal Services will provide information outlining the scope of their work in the county. He will address those issues that fall under the authority of Animal Services.

Seminars will be held at the following locations:

November 1, 2006
San Luis Obispo County UCCE Auditorium
2156 Sierra Way
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401
7:00 pm – 9:00pm
(Maximum Occupancy 69)
November 2, 2006
Sheriff Substation Auditorium
356 North Main Street
Templeton, CA 93465
7:00 pm – 9:00pm
(Maximum Occupancy 50)

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